# National Interagency Coordination Center Incident Management Situation Report Friday, April 30, 2021 – 0730 MDT National Preparedness Level 2

## **National Fire Activity:**

Initial attack activity:	Light (147 fires
New large incidents:	1
Large fires contained:	0
Uncontained large fires: ***	7
Area Command teams committed:	0
NIMOs committed:	0
Type 1 IMTs committed:	2
Type 2 IMTs committed:	2

Nationally, there are 2 fires being managed under a strategy other than full suppression.

Link to Geographic Area daily reports.

**Link** to Understanding the IMSR.

This report will be posted Monday – Friday at 0730 Mountain time unless significant activity occurs.

IMT 2 (NW Team 6) has been assigned in support of Oregon state COVID-19 response operations.

		Active I	ncident	Resourc	ce Summar	у	
GACC	Incidents	Cumulative Acres	Crews	Engines	Helicopters	Total Personnel	Change in Personnel
AICC	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
NWCC	0	0	0	0	0	0	-7
ONCC	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
oscc	1	552	7	50	4	423	119
NRCC	1	1,000	0	10	0	33	33
GBCC	1	1,192	0	6	0	21	0
SWCC	5	10,344	17	60	8	851	93
RMCC	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
EACC	5	5,783	1	28	0	199	0
SACC	11	1,685	1	19	2	129	-1
Total	24	20,556	26	173	14	1,656	251

<sup>\*\*\*</sup>Uncontained large fires include only fires being managed under a full suppression strategy.

#### Southwest Area (PL 3)

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**Three Rivers**, Lincoln NF, USFS. IMT 1 (SW Team 2). Twelve miles northwest of Ruidoso, NM. Timber. Minimal fire behavior. Numerous residences threatened. Area, road and trail closures in effect. Precipitation occurred over the fire area yesterday. Reduction in acreage due to more accurate mapping.

**Flag**, Colorado River District, BLM. IMT 1 (SW Team 1). Twelve miles southeast of Kingman, AZ. Chaparral and timber. Minimal fire behavior with creeping and smoldering. Numerous residences threatened. Evacuations, area, road and trail closures in effect.

**Bonito Rock**, Fort Apache Agency, BIA. Fifteen miles southeast of Whiteriver, AZ. Timber and brush. Minimal fire behavior with creeping and smoldering. Road closures in effect. Precipitation occurred over the fire area yesterday.

Incident Name	Unit	Siz	ze %		Ctn/	Est	Personnel		R	esourc	es	Strc	\$\$	Origin
incident Name		Acres	Chge	70	Comp	LSt	Total	Chge	Crw	Eng	Heli	Lost	CTD	Own
Three Rivers	NM-LNF	5,297	-6,703	13	Ctn	6/4	266	98	5	31	3	0	864K	FS
Flag	AZ-CRD	1,279	0	34	Ctn	5/8	336	9	6	17	3	1	1.9M	BLM
Bonito Rock	AZ-FTA	1,800	0	40	Ctn	5/21	209	0	6	6	2	0	1.8M	BIA
Larg	e Fires Beir	ng Manage	ed with a	Strateg	y Other T	han Ful	l Suppres	sion With	out a T	ype 1	or 2 IM	T Assi	gned	
Thumb Flat	AZ-KNF	112	0	5	Comp	5/14	32	0	0	4	0	0	15K	FS
South Rim 4	TX-BBP	1,341	0	90	Comp	UNK	33	-5	1	1	0	0	1.2M	NPS

KNF - Kaibab NF, USFS BBP - Big Bend National Park, NPS

#### Eastern Area (PL 2)

New fires:	28
New large incidents:	0
Uncontained large fires:	1
Type 2 IMTs committed:	1

**Brittle**, Huron-Manistee NF, USFS. IMT 2 (EA Gold Team). Five miles northeast of Hale, MI. Timber. No new information.

Incident Name	Unit	Si	ze	%	Ctn/ Comp	Est -	Personnel		Resources			Strc	\$\$	Origin
		Acres	Chge	/0			Total	Chge	Crw	Eng	Heli	Lost	CTD	Own
Brittle	MI-HMF	5,781		98	Ctn	4/30	132		1	13	0	0	902K	FS

#### Southern California Area (PL 2)

New fires:	27
New large incidents:	0
Uncontained large fires:	1

**North**, Los Angeles County Fire Department. Two miles south of Castaic, CA. Chaparral and grass. Minimal fire behavior with smoldering. Numerous structures threatened. Evacuations, area, road and trail closures in effect. Reduction in acreage due to more accurate mapping.

Incident Name	Unit	Si	ze	%	Ctn/	Est	Personnel		Resources			Strc	\$\$	Origin
		Acres	Chge	70	Comp	LSt	Total	Chge	Crw	Eng	Heli	Lost	CTD	Own
North	CA-LAC	552	-88	50	Ctn	5/2	423	119	7	50	4	0	1M	C&L

### Southern Area (PL 2)

New fires:	29
New large incidents:	0
Uncontained large fires:	1

**Mill Creek**, Cherokee NF, USFS. Ten miles east of Newport, TN. Timber. Minimal fire behavior with creeping and smoldering. Trail closures in effect.

Incident Name	Unit	Unit Size % Ctn/ Es		Est	Personnel		Resources			Strc	\$\$	Origin		
		Acres	Chge	/0	Comp	Lot	Total	Chge	Crw	Eng	Heli	Lost	CTD	Own
Mill Creek	TN-CNF	657	0	75	Ctn	5/7	72	-1	1	4	2	0	600K	FS

# Northern Rockies Area (PL 1)

New fires:	8
New large incidents:	1
Uncontained large fires:	1

\* Roosevelt Creek, Dakota Prairie National Grasslands, USFS. Thirteen miles northwest of Medora, ND. Tall grass, brush and timber. Active fire behavior with spotting and torching. Structures and energy infrastructure threatened.

Incident Name	Unit	Si	ze	%	Ctn/ Comp	Est -	Personnel		Resources		es	Strc	\$\$	Origin
		Acres	Chge	/0			Total	Chge	Crw	Eng	Heli	Lost	CTD	Own
* Roosevelt Creek	ND-DPF	1,000		40	Ctn	5/2	33		0	10	0	0	60K	FS

Fires and Acres Yesterday (by Protection):

Area		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska Area	FIRES	0	0	0	0	4	0	4
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	6	0	6
Northwest Area	FIRES	1	1	0	0	2	1	5
	ACRES	3	19	0	0	6	0	28
Northern California Area	FIRES	0	0	0	0	14	1	15
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	48	0	48
Southern California Area	FIRES	0	0	0	0	25	2	27
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	9	0	9
Northern Rockies Area	FIRES	1	0	0	0	5	2	8
	ACRES	1	0	0	0	4	1,001	1,006
Great Basin Area	FIRES	0	10	0	0	14	2	26
	ACRES	0	269	0	0	493	0	762
Southwest Area	FIRES	0	0	0	0	1	2	3
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	5	1	6
Rocky Mountain Area	FIRES	1	0	0	0	1	0	2
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	150	0	150
Eastern Area	FIRES	8	0	0	0	20	0	28
	ACRES	7	0	0	0	80	0	87
Southern Area	FIRES	0	0	0	0	28	1	29
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	70	0	70
TOTAL FIRES:		11	11	0	0	114	11	147
TOTAL ACRES:		11	288	0	0	871	1,002	2,171

Fires and Acres Year-to-Date (by Protection):

Area		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska Area	FIRES	0	3	0	0	15	2	20
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	9	3	12
Northwest Area	FIRES	37	13	1	0	296	16	363
	ACRES	199	126	0	0	2,288	699	3,312
Northern California Area	FIRES	2	0	0	0	626	65	693
	ACRES	2	0	0	0	1,670	180	1,852
Southern California Area	FIRES	5	30	1	3	879	94	1,012
	ACRES	5	219	1	6	1,390	1,296	2,917
Northern Rockies Area	FIRES	436	7	2	0	281	71	797
	ACRES	21,045	51	35	0	10,016	14,753	45,900
Great Basin Area	FIRES	10	93	1	4	151	18	277
	ACRES	2,301	7,377	0	4	5,686	101	15,469
Southwest Area	FIRES	161	49	4	6	157	121	498
	ACRES	8,177	1,838	0	1,346	6,049	9,252	26,663
Rocky Mountain Area	FIRES	50	14	2	3	114	17	200
	ACRES	2,121	35	1,244	305	68,578	2,723	75,006
Eastern Area	FIRES	257	0	12	8	3,818	233	4,328
	ACRES	6,490	0	13,200	532	18,883	14,445	53,550
Southern Area	FIRES	367	0	42	22	8,663	311	9,405
	ACRES	28,677	0	8,879	6,297	163,333	25,272	232,458
TOTAL FIRES:		1,325	209	65	46	15,000	948	17,593
TOTAL ACRES:		69,017	9,646	23,359	8,490	277,901	68,724	457,138

Ten Year Average Fires (2011 – 2020 as of today)	16,066
Ten Year Average Acres (2011 – 2020 as of today)	831,826

<sup>\*\*\*</sup>Changes in some agency YTD acres reflect more accurate mapping or reporting adjustments.

Predictive Services Discussion: Above average temperatures will continue across the West with an upper-level ridge over the region. An upper-level shortwave trough will flatten the ridge over southwest Canada and the Northern Rockies with stronger downslope westerly winds expected across central and eastern Montana into the western Dakotas and gusty pre-frontal southerly winds across the Dakotas as well. This will result in critical fire weather conditions across much of these areas. Dry and breezy conditions are also expected across the western Great Basin due to a combination of downslope flow and a cold frontal passage. A strong upper low will move southeast from the Great Lakes across the Northeast and Mid-Atlantic with an associated cold front pushing through these regions. Strong northwesterly winds will accompany the cold frontal passage with elevated to critical fire weather conditions expected from New Jersey southward into the Carolinas with elevated significant fire potential in parts of the Great Lakes.

<sup>\*\*\*</sup>Additional wildfire information is available through the Geographic Areas at <a href="https://gacc.nifc.gov/">https://gacc.nifc.gov/</a>



# Constructing Line Without A Safe Anchor Point

Operational Engagement Category

When deciding where to build fireline, the following considerations must be weighed:

- Can you hold the line? How do you do so and ensure your safety if there is a danger of the fire hooking under/around you?
- Are there adequate safety zones and escape routes? Review what constitutes an adequate safety zone and escape route. Who has the responsibility to designate them and monitor their continued suitability?
- Can you develop your starting point into an anchor point? List some effective anchor points. Describe how you would develop your starting point into an anchor point.
- Have you posted lookouts? Where should they be posted? Can they see the main fire? Describe the qualities of a skilled lookout?
- Do you have effective communications? Who do you need to be in contact with? If there are problems with communications, what can you do to improve them?
- To reduce risk, evaluate several locations before making a decision. Talk about fires where you have had to relocate the line because your anchor point did not hold the fire.
- How have you mitigated Watch Out Situation #8 in the past?

#### Resources:

10 Standard Firefighting Orders, PMS 110
18 Watch Out Situations, PMS 118
10 and 18 Poster, PMS 110-18
Incident Response Pocket Guide (IRPG), PMS 461
Interagency Standards for Fire and Fire Aviation Operations (Red Book)